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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: SOLID POLYMER FUELCELL
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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. \$1.114 of the above-identified application. A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time with the required extension fee is submitted herewith.

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|       | . 1. | Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. |               |      |  |
|       |      | a.   |               | Prev | iously submitted   |
|       |      |  | i.            |      | Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed   |
|       |      |  | ii.           |      | Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on  |
|       |      | b.   | X             | Encl | osed   |
|       |      |  | i.            | X    | Amendment/Reply  |
| ٠     |      |  | ii.           |      | Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  |
|       |      |  | iii.          |      | Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)   |
|       |      |  | iv.           |      | Other  |
|       | 2.   | Misce  | Miscellaneous |      |  |
|       |      |  | a.            |      | Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) |
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. 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a.  $\boxtimes$  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.  $\underline{13-0017}$ 
  - i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
  - ii.  $\square$  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
  - iii. 🗵 Other Any overpayment or deficiency
- b. oxdiv Check in the amount of \$850.00 enclosed
  - i. 
    RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$740.00)
  - ii.  $\boxtimes$  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (\$110.00)
- c. □ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

The Examiner is invited to telephone applicants' undersigned attorney at (312) 775-8202 if any unresolved matters remain.

Please charge any fees incurred in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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